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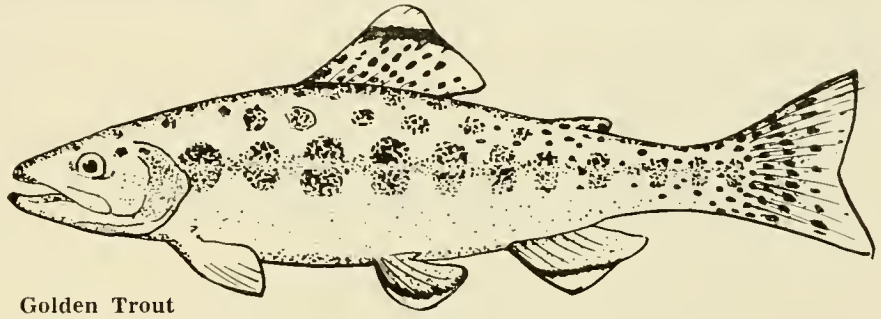
GOLDEN TROUT AND BASS WHERE TO FIND THEM

Montana fishermen have available such a variety of fish species that there are few types of fresh water fishing which they would consider unique. For a number of Montanans though, fishing for largemouth bass or golden trout is something a little out of the ordinary.



Golden Trout

Golden Trout, near relatives of the rainbow, are not native to Montana, but came to us from California. They are beautifully colored trout, adapted to living in the high, cold mountain lakes and streams. These trout do not color up until they are old enough to spawn, then, the underneath parts become deep orange-red from near the lower jaw almost to the tail fin. The sides each have a red stripe running lengthwise. The red stripe is contrasted by a series of dark "paar marks." Yellows and golds with black spots and all but the front fins white tipped complete a most striking color scheme.

Small flies, dry when the fish are rising, are effective for taking golden trout.

The **largemouth** bass is one of the Nation's top game fish. Bass do best in shallow, weedy lakes or in river backwaters. They are voracious feeders, and their menus include other fish, insects, crayfish, and frogs.

The feeding tendencies of bass usually increase with the increase in water temperatures. In this climate they may be inactive, or nearly so, for several months of each year.

Bass will take a wide variety of baits, as well as streamers and plugs. Experiments have shown that they have a definite color preference. Among casting baits, they were found to prefer baits in the following order: red, white, silver, and black.

LISTINGS OF SEVERAL BASS AND GOLDEN TROUT WATERS IN MONTANA

BASS

Area	Location
Bearmouth Slough	Near Drummond
Blanchard Lake	5 miles south of Whitefish
Bull Lake	10 miles south of Troy
Lake Blaine	East of Kalispell, N. End
Clark Fork and Bitterroot sloughs	Near Missoula
Clearwater River (Elbow Lake)	Below Salmon Lake (near town of Seeley Lake)
Echo Lake	Near Bigfork
Flathead Lake slough areas	S. end of lake, East Bay, Somers Bay
Flathead River bays and sloughs	Above Flathead Lake
Frenchtown Gravel Pit	Along U.S. 10, W. of Frenchtown
Horseshoe Lake (Smallmouth)	Bigfork
Island Lake	45 miles west of Kalispell

BASS (Continued)

Jefferson River Slough	Near Sappington Jct.
Lake Mary Ronan	West of Flathead Lake
Larson Reservoir	20 miles S.W. of Sidney
Loon Lake	Highway 2-45 mi. W. of Kalispell
Lynch Lake	45 mi. W. of Kalispell
McNeil Slough	Northeast of Malta
Murphy Lake	Near Eureka
Ninepipe and Kicking Horse Res., Pablo Res.	Lake County
Placid Lake	Near town of Seeley Lake
Potholes	Near Creston
Salmon Lake	Near town of Seeley Lake
Seeley Lake	Near town of Seeley Lake
Sloughs of Clark Fork	Near Noxon
Swan Lake (shallow bays)	Near town of Swan Lake
Thompson Lakes	40 miles west of Kalispell
Tintinger Slough	Near Cascade
Tongue River Reservoir and numerous farm ponds	Southeastern Montana
Tolkfdorf Reservoir	Near Sidney
Turtle (Twin) Lake	East of Polson

GOLDEN TROUT

Avalanche Lake—Headwaters W. Fork, Beaver Creek in Madison River drainage	Hilgard Mts. N. Earthquake Lake
Big Park Lake	Near Cooke City (East Rosebud Drainage)
Blue Danube Lake—Headwaters L. West Fork, Beaver Creek in Madison R. Drainage	Hilgard Mts. N. of Earthquake L.
Cairn Lake	Near Cooke City
Dewey Lake	Near Cooke City
Duggan Lake (Big Falls Lake)	East Rosebud Drainage (Near Cooke City)
Falls Lake—Headwaters L. Falls Creek, trib. S. Fork Spanish Cr., W. Gallatin drainage	Near W. Boundary of Spanish Peak Primitive area
Fossil Lake	Near Cooke City
Golden Lake	Clarks Fork Drainage (Near Cooke City)
Golden Trout Lake—Headwaters L. on Portal Cr.	In W. Gallatin R. Drainage
Hart—Island—Crecent	Mission Mountains
Herrig Lake	Stryker
Hidden Lake—Headwaters L. on Hidden Creek, trib. to Portal Creek	W. Gallatin Drainage
Hidden Lake	Near Cooke City
Imagene Lake	Thompson Falls
Jasper Lake	Clark Fork Drainage
Jim Creek Lakes	Mission Mountains
Lake at Falls Lake	Near Cooke City (E. Rosebud Drainage)
Lake of the Winds	Clarks Fork Drainage
Lower Sky Lake	Cabinet Mountains
Mary Lou Lake—Headwaters L. on S. Boulder R. Jefferson R. Drainage	S. of Whitehall in Tobacco Root Mts.
Medicine Lake (Twin Outlets)	Near Cooke City
Rainbow Lake	East Rosebud Drainage
Ramona Lake—Headwaters L. on W. Fork Beaver Cr. in Madison R. Drainage	Hilgard Mts. N. Earthquake Lake
Rhoda Lake	Near Neihart
Sylvan Lake	Near Red Lodge (E. Rosebud Drainage)
West Boulder Lake—Headwaters L. on Falls Creek, trib, of W. Boulder R. in Yellowstone R. Drainage	Southwest of Big Timber
Unnamed Lakes—Tributary to W. Fk., Beaver Cr. in Madison R. Drainage	Hilgard Mts. N. of Earthquake Lake

TENTATIVE ELK AND DEER SEASON CLOSING DATES AND BAG LIMITS—1967

In early April, the Montana Fish and Game Commission established tentative deer and elk bag limits and closing dates for the 1967 hunting season. Opening dates had been set earlier in the year. During the next commission meeting, May 15-16, and after cooperators have had a chance to review and submit comments on the regulations, the final bag limits and closing dates for deer and elk will be established.

Following is a summary of the 1967 deer and elk regulations as they have been tentatively approved. The hunting district boundaries will generally be similar to those of 1966. All deer seasons are either sex.

Abbreviations

B.A. Bulls—Branch Antlered Bull Elk

A. Bulls—Antlered Bull Elk

WT—Whitetailed Deer

MD—Mule Deer

S—Special deer area where a non-resident hunter need not be accompanied by a resident licensed to hunt game animals.

NL—Districts open to a limited number of Special $35.00 nonresident deer licenses.

Hunting	Deer			Elk	
Dist. No. Hunting District Name	Season Dates	Bag Limit	Other Regulations	Season Dates	Sex
10—Kootenai	Oct 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Either
11—North Fork	Oct 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Either
12—Clark Fork	Oct 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Either
13—Swan	Oct 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Either
14—Lower South & Middle Forks	Oct 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Either
15—Upper South & Middle Forks	Sept. 15-Nov. 19	One		Sept. 15-Nov. 19	Either
101—Eureka	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Either
102—Stillwater	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Either
120—Blacktail	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Either
131—Mission Mountains	Sept. 23-Nov. 19	One		Sept. 23-Nov. 19	Either
20—North Superior	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Either
20.1—West of Clark Fork River	Sept. 23-Nov. 19	One		Sept. 23-Until Closed	Either
21—Ninemile	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Either
22—South Superior	Sept. 23-Nov. 19	One		Sept. 23-Nov. 19	Either
23—Lolo-Petty-Miller Creeks	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Either
23.1—West of Dick Creek Road	Sept. 23-Nov. 19	One		Sept. 23-Nov. 19	Either
24—West Bitterroot	Sept. 23-Nov. 19	One		Sept. 23-Nov. 19	Either
25—West Fork	Sept. 23-Nov. 12	One		Nov. 20-Dec. 10	A. Bulls
26—East Bitterroot	Oct. 22-Nov. 12	One		Sept. 23-Until Closed	Either
27—East Fork	Sept. 23-Until Closed	One		Sept. 23-Dec. 10	A. Bulls
27.1—North of Rye Creek	Oct. 22-Nov. 12	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Either
28—Lower Blackfoot	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	One		Nov. 20-Dec. 10	A. Bulls
28.1—Blackfoot-Clearwater Game Range	Oct. 22-Nov. 5	One		Sept. 23-Until Closed	Either
29—Garnet Range	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	One		Sept. 23-Dec. 10	A. Bulls
29.1—East of Drummond-Helmville Road	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Until Closed	Either
210—Lower Rock Creek-Schwartz Creek	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22- Dec. 10	A. Bulls
				Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Either
				Nov. 20-Dec. 10	A. Bulls
				Oct. 22-Nov. 5	Either
				Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Either
				Oct. 22-Nov. 12	Either
				Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Either
				Nov. 20-Dec. 10	A. Bulls

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Hunting Dist. No. Hunting District Name	Deer			Elk	
	Season Dates	Bag Limit	Other Regulations	Season Dates	Sex
211—Upper Rock Creek	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Either
				Nov. 20-Dec. 10	A. Bulls
211.1—Above Forest Boundary	Sept. 23-Nov. 19	One		Sept. 23-Nov. 19	Either
				Nov. 20-Dec. 10	A. Bulls
212—North Flint Creek Range	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Either
213—South Flint Creek Range	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Oct. 24	Either
				Oct. 25-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
214—Mill Creek-Georgetown Lake	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Either
				Nov. 20-Dec. 10	A. Bulls
215—Dog Creek-Cottonwood Creek	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 12	Either
260—Bitterroot River Bottom Archery Area	Sept. 23-Nov. 19 (Archery only)	One		Closed	
280—North Fork Blackfoot	Sept. 15-Nov. 19	One		Sept. 15-Nov. 19	Either
281—Upper Blackfoot	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Either
290—Helmville-Ovando Archery or Shotgun Area	Oct. 22-Nov. 19 (Archery or Shotgun only)	One		Closed	
30—Lima Peaks-Medicine Lodge	Oct. 22-Nov. 12	Two		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
	Dec. 17-Jan 1	Two			
31—Pioneer-Horse Prairie	Oct. 22-Nov. 19 (May be reopened)	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Either
32—East Big Hole	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Either
34—Highlands	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
35—Whitetail	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Oct. 29	Either
				Oct. 22-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
36—East Madison	Oct. 22-Nov. 12	Two		Oct. 22-Nov. 12	Either
	Dec. 17-Jan. 1	Two		Dec. 17-Jan. 1 (Game Range Closed)	A. Bulls
37—Bull Mountain	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
38—Radersburg	Oct. 22-Nov. 12	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
	Dec. 17-Jan. 1	Two		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	70 Either Sex Permits
39—South Big Belts	Oct. 22-Nov. 12	One		Oct. 22 only	Either
	Dec. 17-Jan. 1	Two		Oct. 23-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
310—Upper Gallatin	Oct. 1-Nov. 5			Oct. 1-Nov. 5	Either
311—Lower Gallatin	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Either
312—Bridger	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Two		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
312.1—Horseshoe Hills	Oct. 22-Nov. 5 (May be reopened)	One		Oct. 22 only	Either
				Oct. 23-Nov. 5	A. Bulls
313—Gardiner	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Either
	*Nov. 20-Until Closed	Two		*Nov. 20-Until Closed	Either
*Open Friday, Saturday and Sunday each week					
314—Emigrant	Oct. 22-Nov. 19 (May be reopened)	One		Oct. 22-Oct. 29	Either
				Oct. 30-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
315—West Slope Crazy Mountains	Oct. 22-Nov. 19 (May be reopened)	One		Closed	
316—Absaroka	Sept. 15-Nov. 19	One		Sept. 15-Nov. 19	Either
317—East Yellowstone	Oct. 22-Nov. 19 (May be reopened)	One		Oct. 22-Oct. 29	Either
				Oct. 30-Nov. 19	A. Bulls

Hunting Dist. No. Hunting District Name	Deer			Elk	
	Season Dates	Bag Limit	Other Regulations	Season Dates	Sex
318—Butte-Basin	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Oct. 29	Either
				Oct. 30-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
319—Fleecer-Highrye	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
320—Tobacco Root Mountains	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Two		Oct. 22 only	Either
				Oct. 23-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
321—West Big Hole	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Either
322—Ruby-Greenhorns	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Two		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
323—Wall Creek	Oct. 22-Nov. 12	Two		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	50 Either-sex permits
	Dec. 17-Jan. 1	Two			
				Oct. 22-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
324—Snowcrest-West Fork Madison	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Two		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	100 Either-sex permits
				Oct. 22-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
325—Blacktail Ridge	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
361—Hebgen-Upper Madison	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Either
				Nov. 20-Until Closed (East of Highway 191)	Either
40—Marias-Teton	Oct. 22-23	One		Closed	
41—Badger Creek-Teton	Oct. 22-Nov. 19 (May be extended)	Two		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
41.1—North of North Fork Birch Creek	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 5	Either
				Nov. 6-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
42—Sun River	Oct. 22-Nov. 19 (May be extended)	Two		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
				Oct. 22-Until Closed (Quota)	Either
42.1—Sun River Game Range	Oct. 22-Until Closed	Two		Oct. 22-Until Closed	Either
43—Helena	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 5	Either
				Nov. 6-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
44—Birdtail	Oct. 22-Nov. 5	Two	"B" Tag WT	Closed	
45—Hound-Elkhorn	Oct. 22-Nov. 19 (May be reopened)	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
46—Big Belts	Oct. 22-Nov. 19 (May be reopened)	One		Oct. 22 only	Either
				Oct. 23-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
47—Highwood Mountains	Oct. 22-Nov. 5	Two	"B" Tag WT	Oct. 22 Permit Season	
47.1S—Inside Forest Service Boundary	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Two		Oct. 22 Permit Season	
48S—Little Belts, East	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Two		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
				Oct. 22 Permit Season	
48.1—Foothills Little Belts, East	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
				Oct. 22 Permit Season	
49S—Castle Mountains	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Two		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
				Dec. 3 Permit Season	
401—Sweetgrass Hills	Oct. 22-Oct. 29	One		Oct. 22 Permit Season	
410SNL—Fergus-Petroleum	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Two	500, $35 Spec. NR Permits	Oct. 22 Permit Season	
411SNL—Snowy Mountains	Oct. 22-Nov. 5	Two	1,000, $35 Spec.		
	Nov. 6-Nov. 19	Two WT	NR WT Permits	Closed	

Hunting Dist. No. Hunting District Name	Deer			Elk	
	Season Dates	Bag Limit	Other Regulations	Season Dates	Sex
412SNL—Judith Mountains	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Two	500, $35 Spec. NR Permits	Oct. 22 Permit Season	
413S—Little Belts, West	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Two		Oct. 22-Oct. 25	Either
				Oct. 26-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
413.1—Foothills, Little Belts, West	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Oct. 25	Either
				Oct. 26-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
422—Dearborn	Oct. 22-Nov. 19 (May be extended)	Two		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Either
422.1—South Dearborn	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	One		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
471—Highwood-Fort Benton	Oct. 22-Nov. 5	One		Closed	
50S—South Central	Oct. 22-Nov. 5	Two	"B" Tag WT	Closed	
51S—Rock Creek	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Two		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
52SNL—Stillwater	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Two	600, $35 NR	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
	Dec. 10-Dec. 24				
(On public land—Above Forest Boundary)					
53S—Big Horn	Oct. 2-Nov. 19	Two		Closed	
54S—Northwest Wheatland	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Two		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
55S—Grove Creek-Line Creek	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Two		Oct. 22-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
				Nov. 20-Dec. 24	40 Either-sex permits
56SNL—Boulder	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Two	500 $35 NR	Oct. 22-Oct. 29	Either
				Oct. 30-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
57S—Sweet Grass	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Two	"B" Tag WT	Closed	
58SNL—Northwest Sweet Grass	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Two	500 $35 NR	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	A. Bulls
59S—Musselshell	Oct. 22-Nov. 5	Two		Closed	
510SNL—Pryor Mountains	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Two	200 $35 NR	Closed	
	Dec. 10-Dec. 24				
511S—South Snowy Mountains	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Two		Closed	
60—North Hill-North Blaine	Oct. 29-Nov. 5	Two	"B" Tag WT		
61S—North Phillips	Oct. 29-Nov. 12	Two	"B" Tag WT		
	Nov. 13-Nov. 26	Two	WT only		
62S—South Phillips	Oct. 29-Nov. 26	Two	"B" Tag WT 100 NR WT only	Dec. 3-24 Permit Season	
63S—South Valley	Oct. 29-Nov. 12	Two	"B" Tag WT	Dec. 3-24 Permit Season	
	Nov. 13-Nov. 26	Two	WT only		
64—North Valley-Daniels-Roosevelt-Sheridan	Oct. 29-Nov. 12	One			
65S—McCone	Oct. 29-Nov. 12	Two	"B" Tag WT		
	Nov. 13-Nov. 26	Two	WT only		
66S—Richland-Dawson-Roosevelt	Oct. 29-Nov. 12	Two	"B" Tag WT		
	Nov. 13-Nov. 26	Two	WT only		
67S—North Valley-North Phillips	Oct. 29-Nov. 12	Two	"B" Tag WT		
	Nov. 13-Nov. 26	Two	WT only		
68S—Chouteau-Blaine-Phillips	Oct. 29-Nov. 26	One			
69S—Hill-Blaine-Chouteau	Oct. 29-Nov. 12	Two	WT only		
	Nov. 13-Nov. 26	Two	"B" Tag WT 100 NR WT only		
610 Hill-Chouteau-Liberty	Oct. 29-Nov. 12	One			

Hunting Dist. No.	Hunting District Name	Resident and $125 Nonresident Deer Licenses			$35 Nonresident Deer Licenses	
		Season Dates	Bag Limit	Other Regulations	Season Dates	Number Available
70S	North Garfield	Oct. 22-Nov. 12	Two		Oct. 29-Nov. 12	200
71S	North Rosebud	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Two (B Tag WT)			
72S	South Rosebud	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Two (B Tag WT)			
73S	North Prairie	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Two (B Tag WT)			
74S	Mizpah	Oct. 22-Nov. 12	Two			
75S	North Wibaux	Oct. 22-Nov. 12	Two (B Tag WT)			
75.1SNL	Intake-Sidney	Oct. 8-Oct. 29	Two (WT only)		Oct. 8-Oct. 29	500 WT
76S	North Fallon	Oct. 22-Nov. 19	Two (B Tag WT)			
77SNL	North Carter	Oct. 22-Nov. 12	Two		Oct. 29-Nov. 12	300 WT
77.1SNL	Knowlton	Oct. 22-Nov. 12	Two		Oct. 29-Nov. 12	100
78SNL	East Carter	Oct. 22-Nov. 12	Two		Oct. 29-Nov. 12	200 WT
78.1SNL	Long Pines	Oct. 1-Nov. 19	Two (B Tag WT)		Oct. 8-Nov. 19	600 WT
79S	West Little Powder	Oct. 22-Nov. 12	Two			
740S	Otter Creek	Oct. 22-Nov. 12	Two			
741S	Beaver-Liscom	Oct 22-Nov. 12	Two			
790S	East Little Powder	Oct. 22-Nov. 12	Two			

SPECIAL ARCHERY SEASON
DEER

The special deer aerhery season will be open for the dates and areas specified below.

August 25-September 14 (Either Sex)
Districts 15, 280, 316

September 3-September 22 (Either Sex)
District 131, 20.1, 22, 23.1, 24, 25, 27, 211.1

October 1-October 21 (Either Sex)
Districts 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 101, 102, 120, 20, 21, 23, 26, 27.1, 28, 28.1, 29, 29.1, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 281, 30, 31, 32, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 311, 312, 312.1, 313, 314, 315, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 361, 325, 40, 41, 41.1, 42, 42.1, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 47.1, 48, 48.1, 49, 401, 410, 411, 412, 413, 413.1, 422, 422.1, 471, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 510, 511, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 740, 741, 75, 76, 77, 77.1, 78, 79, 790

October 8-October 28 (Either Sex)
Districts 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 610

September 10-September 30 (Either Sex)
Districts 310, 78.1

September 17-October 7 (Either Sex)
Districts 75.1

SPECIAL ARCHERY SEASON
ELK

September 8-September 14 (A Bulls)
Districts 15, 280

September 16-September 22 (A Bulls)
Districts 131, 20.1, 22, 23.1, 24, 25, 27, 211.1

October 15-October 21 (A Bulls)
Districts 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 101, 102, 120, 20, 21, 23, 26, 27.1, 28, 28.1, 29, 29.1, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 281, 37, 318, 320, 41, 41.1, 42, 42.1, 43, 45, 46, 48, 48.1, 49, 413, 413.1, 422.1, 51, 52, 54, 55, 56, 58

October 8-October 29 (Either Sex)
District 401, 47, 47.1, 410, 412, 62, 63

SIGNS OF SPRING

It may not seem much like spring to most of us, what with snow still threatening and pussy willows reluctant to come forth. The birds know that the season is in the air though, and in the wee morning hours sharp-tailed grouse gather upon age-old dancing grounds to reenact the strange rituals that bring the birds together on mating grounds each spring.

With what seems to be child-like glee, the spritely males whirl, toss, and patter their feet to the rythm of prairie breezes. With tails erect, and heads held low, they pause to glower at each other. It was from these antics that the American Indians patterned many of their costumes and their dances.

By the time we humans feel that spring is **really** here, they will be silent for another year.

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